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TRANSMITTAL OF AMENDMENT AND REQUEST TO EXTEND

SIR:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application is an

Amendment.

This is also a Request under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the three-month response date by two months from November 12, 2004 to January 12, 2005.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the appropriate fee, which is believed to be \$450 (for the two-month extension) to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. The Commissioner is also authorized, as appropriate and/or necessary, to charge any fees (including any Rule 136(a) extension fees) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed for that purpose. 103.No 42084

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